[Council to P. S. Smith.]

C. C.

In Council 14th April 1778.

Sir.

We have sent you, by Martin Norris, 1500 Dollars, towards the Purchase of Provisions. We shall be glad to receive Information from you that more is wanted: this, we expect, may last you some Time. It will not do, by any Means, to barrel Beef at this Time of the year. If Gentlemen who have Cattle 167 fit for Slaughter will not part from them when the Army so much needs them, we request you'll make Use of the Power given you by the Law, and get the Cattle, at all Events. If you receive Money for the Congress, and should have Occasion to expend it in the Purchase of Provisions, do so, but we would not have you keep it in Hand in Expectation of its being wanted for that Purpose because we hope to have Money in Hand to supply you and we know it is desirable to draw what we can into the Continental Treasury.

We are &ca

Patrick*Sim Smith Calvt County.

Wednesday 15 April 1778.

C. B.

Present as on yesterday.

Ordered That the western shore Treasurer Pay to John Smith Ten Pounds, sixteen Shillings due to him and also the further Sum of one hundred and twenty six Pounds ten Shillings for the use of James Sterett per Accounts passed by the Committee of Claims & Auditor General.

That the said Treasurer Pay to Vachel Worthington seven Pounds ten shillings to be delivered over to Charles Worthington for Waggon hire per Account passed by the Auditor General.

That the said Treasurer Pay to Doct Richard Tootel seventy four Pounds, eleven shillings due to him per Account passed

by the A General.

Commissions issued to Leonard Loutz appointed second Lieut in Captain Whites Company Edward Salmon first Lieut of Capt. Haff's Comp^y in the Frederick Town Battalion of Militia also to Michael Bierly second Lieut of Capt Jacob Crist's Com^y Lawrence Creager Ensign and Jacob Crist Captain of a Company in Col^o James Johnson's Battalion of Militia in Frederick County